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TAB B

**SUMMARY OF INFORMATION IN BACKGROUND PAPER ON CHINA TRADE, FOIA, 9 DEC 1953**

**1. Exports to Communist China**

The Free World's reported exports to Communist China were approximately \$443 million in 1950 and \$433 million in 1951. They dropped sharply to \$256 million in 1952. They were rising considerably in the early months of 1953 and totaled about \$150 million in the first half of the year.

**2. Exports from Communist China**

The Free World receives large imports from Communist China. These imports amounted to \$535 million in 1950, \$522 million in 1951, \$345 million in 1952, and \$216 million in the first half of 1953.

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~~SECRET~~FIVE WORLD EXPORTS TO COMMUNIST CHINA IN 1952 and FIRST HALF OF 1953  
(Millions of U.S. Dollars)

<u>Country</u>	<u>First half 1952</u>	<u>Second half 1952</u>	<u>First half 1953</u>	<u>Major items first half 1953</u>
Hong Kong	29.1	61.9	63.7	Medicines, dyestuffs, sulphate of ammonia, wool top
Ceylon	12.5	13.5	25.0	Rubber
W. Germany	0.2	2.6	13.7	Iron and steel, scientific instruments, machinery
France	0.9	2.4	9.7	Iron and steel, non-electrical machinery, chemicals and pharmaceuticals
United Kingdom	1.9	10.9	8.7	Wool tops, sodium compounds, piece goods, textile machinery, mechanical handling equipment
Egypt	2.5	6.4	4.9	Cotton, raw
Switzerland (a)	2.5	3.5	4.7	Watches, coal tar dyes, indigo
Italy	2.0	1.5	3.9	Artificial yarn, ammonium sulphate and nitrate
Pakistan	54.5	29.4	3.6	Cotton
Netherlands	—	—	2.6	Ammonium sulphate
Sweden	0.2	0.4	2.3	Paper and paper manufactures
Japan	0.2	0.3	2.3	Seaweed, superphosphates, textile machinery
India	5.2	1.3	2.1	Jute bags
Australia	0.2	0.4	1.4	Greasy wool, wool tops
Belgium	0.3	0.3	1.3	Ammonium sulphate and sulfenitrate
Finland	0.1	6.5	1.0	(Not available)
Norway	—	1.7	0.9	Paper
Other	0.1	0.8	0.3	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>112.4</b>	<b>143.8</b>	<b>132.1</b>	(a) Estimated; exact figure not available.

Note: Official statistics of free world countries, compiled by Commerce Department

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FREE WORLD EXPORTS TO COMMUNIST CHINA, MONTHLY, 1952 and JANUARY-AUGUST 1953  
(Millions of U. S. Dollars)

1952:

January	10.4
February	21.2
March	8.0
April	21.1
May	34.6
June	22.6
July	25.5
August	32.9
September	20.1
October	19.4
November	24.7
December	28.9

1953:

January	38.4
February	24.9
March	29.4
April	30.4
May	18.7
June	21.2
July	18.5
August	19.9

**Note:** All Figures are preliminary. The source: statistics of Free World countries, compiled by Department of Commerce. These figures include certain Swiss exports, on the order of about \$1,000,000 a month, which went to Hong Kong and thence to destinations other than Communist China. Therefore they will not add up to the adjusted annual totals given elsewhere, but the monthly totals are valid for purposes of showing the trend.

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**TAB B - Total Involvement of Western Flag Vessels Calling at Red Chinese Ports**  
**January 1951 through October 1953**

	1951		1952		1953
	Ships (number)	Capacity (GRT) (1,000 tons)	Ships (number)	Capacity (GRT) (1,000 tons)	Ships (number)
January	132	638	47	204	94
February	114	537	56	245	101
March	104	474	75	374	121
April	110	548	82	420	118
May	128	673	86	467	125
June	126	671	75	400	106
July	113	608	68	374	98
August	90	478	75	406	100
September	89	456	78	419	95
October	65	326	88	472	93
November	54	270	89	480	—
December	44	188	83	505	—

**Note:**

1. Number of ships involved includes multiple voyages during one month by the same vessel.
2. Tonnage capacity (GRT) is indicated although some vessels made trips with less than capacity loads or in ballast. Whether a ship carried cargo to or from China and the actual cargo tonnage involved may not be ascertained from these data.
3. The above figures include vessels which were en route to and en route from Communist Chinese ports as well as those vessels which arrived in China. Individual vessels are frequently "involved" in more than one month.

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Table from FOA.  
 Source: Department of Navy (ONI)